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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

EVERETT HOGGE and
PRISCILLA HOGGE,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

A.W. CHESTERTON COMPANY, et al.,

Defendants.

No. C 07 2873 EDL

(San Francisco County Superior Court
Case No. CGC-06-452846)

**DECLINATION TO PROCEED
BEFORE A MAGISTRATE JUDGE
AND REQUEST FOR
REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED
STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

The undersigned party hereby declines to consent to the assignment of
this case to a United States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and hereby
requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District Judge.

Dated: June 5, 2007.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

CASE NAME: Hogge, et al. v. A.W. Chesterton Company, et al.
COURT: **United States District Court, Northern District**
CASE NUMBER: **C 07 2873 EDL**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of eighteen years, and am not a party to the within action. I am employed in the City and County of San Francisco, California, and my business address is Two Embarcadero Center, Suite 1800, San Francisco, California 94111-3993. I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction the service was made. On the date last written below, following ordinary business practice, I electronically served the following document(s):

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Proof of Service was executed on June 6, 2007, at San Francisco, California.

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